**CROYDON PHILATELIC SOCIETY:**
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING 11.03.2014:**

President Brian Asquith opened the meeting attended by 24 members at 19.45 hours and invited **BOB LARG** to present his display on **AUSTRALIA.** The display was in two parts and related mainly to the King George V period.

Part 1 was a stunning array of postal stationary envelopes, postcards and newspaper wrappers, with air mails, Christmas issues plus World War 1 (WW1) cards and covers. The WW1 section included censor marks on mail to and from troops overseas and Prisoner of War (P.O.W.) letters to and from Germany. There were overseas letters to and from many countries including a Swiss postage due and examples of airmail covers with " first flights" to many destinations. A wide range of stamps and cachets, many displaying several commemoratives with pictures of life in Australia were shown.

Part 2 was mainly stamps with a few special covers addressed to various destinations inland and overseas, including interesting redirected letters featured in the final frames. The stamps featured the wide range of interesting commemoratives from this prolific period of philately. The colourful array included the long lasting kangaroo series, the Sidney Harbour Bridge, Jubilee issues, sport, native life and landscapes.

An altogether interesting display, visually and historically, and presented by Bob with humour in his knowledgeable and enthusiastic description.

Following the Vote of Thanks by John Schofield the meeting closed at 21.45 hours.

Graham Harker, Honorary Assistant Secretary (ably assisted by Frank Simpson, Secretary)
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